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Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
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Re: COMPUTERIZED METHOD, APPARATUS AND  
SYSTEM FOR ISSUING SURETY BONDS  
Serial No. 09/694,776  
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Dear Sirs:

Enclosed please find a Request for Continued Examination and a Request for Extension of Time to answer for the above-identified patent application.

Also enclosed is a check to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks in the amount of \$395.00 representing the fee for RCE, as well as a check for \$165.00 representing the fee for an additional one month extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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